

MEETING OF THE CITY OF RUSHVILLE, INDIANA

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY

MAY 21, 2019

5:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: The Board of Public Works and Safety met on the above date and time at 270 West 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Pavey called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Ron Jarman and Dr. John Williams answered roll call. Gary Cameron and Darrin McGowan were not present. Also present was City Attorney, Tracy Newhouse.

MINUTES: Jarman made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 8, 2019 meeting as presented. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT: None.

CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT: None.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Street – Commissioner Miller said they have done some digging to try to clear out a tile at Wilson Estates. They were able to get the water running through. There were tree roots blocking the tile. They are going to go back in and clean it out again to try to keep it open. They will also put in catch basins.

Police – Chief Tucker reported that they served a formal dinner at the MORE program. They participated in the inaugural Unified Olympics with RES. Today they participated in “breakfast with badges”.

A snapping turtle was rescued from the parking lot by Farm Credit. It was relocated to the Flatrock River.

They ordered thermal vision and night vision optics and it has been received. They have contacted EMA to let them know this is available if they have a need for use of the equipment.

They received trauma kits from Kemker. These are being placed in public spaces throughout the county.

Animal – Warden Cottrell reported that they are getting lots of puppies.

They had an event at Tractor Supply. At the event they put chips in 30 animals. They have several events coming up; one of them is in June at the Skyline Drive-in.

Park – Director Burklow announced that they are hoping to have the pool open May 31, if the painting gets completed. All summer employees have been hired.

Fire – Chief Jenkins said they received a \$10,000.00 grant from Rush Shelby Energy to purchase an infrared drone. He will get with the other departments to prepare SOG's for operation. Newhouse will prepare a standard policy. The drone may be used to locate missing persons and help the police search for suspects. The equipment will be stored at the PD.

CITY DRAINAGE BOARD:

1. **Drainage CBD Ordinance** – Mayor Pavey said he received contact information. He also sat down with the new fire emergency hire and they had some good discussions.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. **INDOT RFP Interviews #1400772** – Mayor Pavey distributed handouts for scoring of consultants for the Cherry Street project. There were 5 applicants. They will be narrowed to 3 for interviews.
2. **CCMG - Local Roads** – Documents have been signed and sent in.
3. **Liquidate Property Cupp 214 E 2nd** – Newhouse said we should be ready to complete the transaction sometime in June.
4. **Stellar Taff building BOT RFP Review and Recommendation** – Two packets were turned in. One did not provide the financial portion. Pavey made a recommendation to go with PSI. Williams made a motion to move forward with PSI & Greg Martz. Jarman seconded the motion. Motion carried.
5. **Residency Requirement Duplication** – Newhouse explained that the ordinance is ready for Council to pass. It strikes out duplicated language. Williams made a motion to recommend to Council approval of the amended ordinance. Jarman seconded the motion. Motion carried.
6. **Animal Shelter Bids due 6/7/19** – Drawings and RFP's are out. The information is on our web site.
7. **PERF 401K** – Newhouse said he had a meeting today and is working towards a resolution.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Monthly Project Pay Applications:**
 - a. **Stellar HWC Claims** - Williams moved to approve all Stellar claims as presented. Jarman seconded the motion. Motion carried.
2. **Proposal for Geotechnical Evaluation Services Flatrock Trail** – HWC has chosen SME to do the evaluation for the Flatrock Trail. Jarman moved to approve the evaluation being

completed by SME subject to review by the City Attorney. Williams seconded the motion. Motion carried.

3. **City Utility Rent Agreement** – Williams made a motion to approve the Utility rent agreement with the City. Jarman seconded the motion. Motion carried.
4. **Eastern Indiana Works-ResCare Workforce Services-Paid Work Experience Master Agreement** – Mayor Pavey explained that there are 2 components to this program. One is for adults and there is one for youth. If we have a position open they will pay the employee for 4-6 weeks and we can decide if we want to hire them full time. The youth would be mainly for summer employment. This would not be a contract just an agreement. Jarman made a motion to approve entering into an agreement. Williams seconded the motion. Motion carried.

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE UPDATES:

1. **Flatrock Apartments Street Dedication** – Chief Tucker said there is no evidence within the Recorder's office of the streets being dedicated. Newhouse showed a map which indicated the areas that were a private drive, which are the streets surrounding the apartments.

Gary Cameron arrived at 6:01 p.m.

Councilman Bridges said when the construction took place that it was recommended by Butler Fairman not to make them public streets because they did not use the proper depth or width according to our construction standards. Mayor Pavey will have the Street Department look into the matter further.

2. **Slow-Children @ Play** – Tucker reported a sign was requested at 5th and Cottage Avenue. After placing the speed sign in this area it was found that the speed in this area was 100% in compliance.
3. **Perkins Street Stop Sign Between 9th-11th** – The speed trailer is currently there for a 2 week period to measure the speed.
4. **4th Street One Way @ 400 Block** – Chief Tucker said he has talked with the residents. They are all in agreement that traffic is a problem and agreed to one way traffic. He said the road is very narrow and thought it would be best to make it one way east. Jarman made a motion to make a favorable recommendation to Council to make 4th Street one way east bound between Spencer and 3rd Streets. Williams seconded the motion. Motion carried.
5. **Harrison Street signage and Speed South of 700 Block** – Not reviewed yet.
6. **Speed 7th Street West of Spencer** – Not yet reviewed.

ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS/COMPLAINTS:

1. **635 West 5th Street** – Chief Jenkins sent notice to the property owners and they have requested a hearing. He will set the matter for a hearing.

ITEMS NOT KNOWN IN ADVANCE: None.

ADJOURN: There was no further business to come before the Board; Cameron moved to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 6:12 p.m.